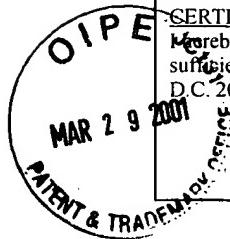


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Box Missing Parts
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 24, 2000, said period of response being extended from December 24, 2000 to March 24 2001.

Please charge our deposit account no. 13-2725 for the amount of \$890.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.



Respectfully submitted,

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